

**District Three Planning Committee
Meeting Minutes
June 15, 2009**

The meeting was called to Order at 5:39 pm by Chair Jim Tate Hill.

Present:

Jim Tate Hill

Debbie Darden

Abe Lopez

Crystal Jackson arrived at 6:11pm

Absent:

Marlin Keeling, Charles Dowling, Margie Reisz

Others Present:

William Sykes, Diane Bennett-Smith, Brunette Harris, and Gregory Barfield, staff to the committee

Approval of Minutes of May 18, 2009:

Minor corrections were presented.

**M/ Jackson S/ Lopez
To approve with minor corrections
PASSES (4-0)**

Approval of Notes of June 1, 2009

Approval of Minute Notes of June 1, 2009, as there was no quorum and no official action taken.

**M/ Jackson S/ Darden
PASSES (4-0)**

Review of Projects:

V-09-001 & V 09-002 338 & 342 West Dunn

Presented by William Sykes regarding the variances requested for the two single family homes, one to be relocated from another site. Concerns and questions about the sound mitigations and the project's overall fit in the neighborhood were addressed.

**M/ Lopez S/ Darden
To approve each variance as requested**

PASSES (4-0)

C-09-98 2321 & 2317 Kern Street

Applicant Sushi Hana is expanding to the vacant indoor space next door. No expansion of outdoor patio and this is required since this is a new address. ABC license does not add anything except the beer and wine to the new space.

M / Lopez S/ Darden to Approve C-09-98.

PASSES (4-0)

C-09-35 3150 West Nielsen Avenue

The applicant Fresno County EOC request authorization to construct a 36,725 square foot parking lot on approximately 0.9 acres of the site abutting the existing EOC facility at 3120 W. Nielsen

M/ Jackson S/ Darden

To approve based on the city landscaping standards and recommending drought resistance trees/ plants as possible.

PASSES (4-0)

Brunette Harris of the H.E.A.T. for SW Fresno, requested that the committee look at the complete package on each project prior to making recommendations, similar to the complete package the Planning Commission receives at the end.

A discussion on the role of this advisory committee and the role of the Planning Commission ensued clarifying that this committee role and function is to review entitlements in the beginning of the process and the Planning Commission role is to approve the entitlements using all the advisory groups and agencies information in compliance with the Planning and Development standards.

The committee dismissed at 6:51 pm.